MAYORAL PROCLAMATION: EMERGENCY ORDERS TO ADDRESS COVID-19 EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, in response to the public health emergency resulting from the novel (new) coronavirus named "SARS-CoV-2," with the disease it causes having been named "coronavirus disease 2019" or "COVID-19," Mayor-President Joshua S. Guillory, issued a Declaration of State of Local Disaster and/or Emergency dated March 15, 2020 and recorded as Act Number 2020-9192 in the records of the Clerk of Court of Lafayette Parish, Louisiana (the "Emergency Declaration") which is still in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Louisiana declared a state-wide public health emergency pursuant to Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020, issued on March 11, 2020, as well as Proclamation Number 27 JBE 2020, 29 JBE 2020 AND 30 JBE 2020, issued on March 14- 17, 2020, Proclamation Number 32 JBE 2020, 33 JBE 2020, 37 JBE 2020 & 38 JBE 2020 issued March 19 – 31, 2020, Proclamation Number 41 JBE 2020, 43 JBE 2020 and 52 JBE 2020 issued April 2, 2020 – April 30, 2020, Proclamation Number 58 JBE 2020 and 59 JBE 2020 issued May 14, 2020, Proclamation Number 74 JBE 2020 and 75 JBE 2020 issued June 4, 2020; and Proclamation Number 83 JBE 2020 and 84 JBE 2020 issued on June 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, due to a spike in confirmed cases of COVID-19, immediate measures are necessary to contain the spread of COVID-19, including, but not limited to, taking measures to restrict person-to-person contact; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2020, Mayor-President Joshua S. Guillory issued an order prohibiting gatherings of more than 200 persons as one of these measures; and

WHEREAS, gatherings referred herein are defined as events attended by persons at a specific location, for a specific purpose (e.g. social function, public event, sporting event, Louisiana Saturday Night events scheduled at the Cajundome and other similar events or festivals) for a period of time such that the spread of COVID-19 is more likely than not; and

WHEREAS, Mayor-President Joshua S. Guillory now desires to clarify his order of June 26, 2020 to provide that religious institutions conducting religious services, planned performances at the Heymann Performing Arts Center, and High School Graduation ceremonies scheduled at the Cajundome have instituted plans to protect the health and well-being of attendees and workers – including maintaining low capacity, social distancing, temperature checks, wearing of masks and disinfecting – are not subject to his 200-person restriction of June 26, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, Joshua S. Guillory, Lafayette Mayor-President, hereby declares the following, effective upon the execution of this order and continuing until 11:59 PM on July 15, 2020:

1. Religious institutions conducting religious services, previously scheduled events at the Heymann Performing Arts Center, and High School Graduation ceremonies previously

scheduled at the Cajundome are not subject to the 200-person limitation in the order of Mayor-President Guillory declared on June 26, 2020.

- 2. Places of business during their ordinary scope and course of operations are not subject to the limitations of the June 26, 2020 declaration.
- 3. As this is a continually changing health crisis, the Mayor-President will continue to evaluate and assess the situation and will continue to adjust the guidelines and restrictions as necessary.
- 4. All other terms and provisions of the June 26, 2020 order of Mayor-President Guillory remain in full force and effect.

LAFAYETTE MAYOR-PRESIDENT